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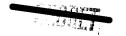
THROUGH : Acting Chief, Development Projects Division SWB

SUBJECT : Supply of L Tablets on Hand in Project CHALMS

BEFERENCE : Book Dispatch No. 2057, dated 4 August 1960

- ). This paper contains a recommendation for the Chief of Operations, DD/P. Such recommendation is contained in paragraph 4.
- 2. Technical Services Staff (now Technical Services Division) provided Froject CHALICE with a total of twenty L pills, divided evenly between 25X1A6a CHALICE Detachments in ticular items received special environmental testing at that time, designed to determine their suitability for retention for long periods of time at extremely high altitudes and under maximum temperature changes in the range of minus 100 degrees F through plus 140 degrees F.
- 3. At that time so formal paperwork was exchanged between the CHALICE Staff and ESS, save for the usual hand receipts once delivery was accomplished. These items were placed under Top Secret Control and shipped to the overseas units in custody of the Chief Security Officer in each location. The ten 25X1A6a pills in the Detachment at the same are still on hand. Home has been expended, though a sample of a later model device (poison needle) was sent to the same and subsequently expended at the time of the CHALICE incident on May 1, 1960. That item has not been replaced.
- 25X1A6a 4. The ten pills formerly with the CHALRE unit in the were shipped 25X1A6a to the ZI in August of this year, and are presently in the custody of the California. Although the operational future of CHALRE remains indistinct,

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present plans call for a retention of overflight empability in both the domestic unit and the overseas detachment. Under these circumstances, we request permission to retain all twenty L pills until such time as the units are either disbanded or a more improved bethal device is made available, permitting substitution for the items currently on hand. The Division intends to open discussions shortly with TSD leading to development of a new concessment device for the poison needle item, which for many reasons is superior in air operations to the builtier L pill.

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Assistant Chief

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Recommendation in paragraph 4 APPROVED:

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## Distribution:

- 1 ASST CH/BPD
- 2 COPS
- 3 DB/P
- 4 0/100
- 5 AC/IPD
- 6 DPD/80 7 - EPD/CPS
- 8 DPD/RI

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Jr./mg

